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Amendments to the Specification:

Add the following paragraph at page 1, line 3 after the title

RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of and claims priority from U.S. Patent Application No. 10/183,396, filed on June 28, 2002 and titled *Patches and Collar for Medical Applications and Methods of Use*, which is incorporated herein in its entirety by reference and which ~~This application~~ claims priority from and is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/127,714, filed on April 23, 2002, which claims priority from U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/286,269, filed April 24, 2001 and titled *Percutaneous Vessel Access Closure Device and Method*; from U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/300,892, filed June 25, 2001 and titled *Percutaneous Vessel Access Closure Device and Method*, and from U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/302,255, filed June 28, 2001 and titled *Percutaneous Vessel Access Closure Device and Method (Hemostatic Patch or Collar)*, each of which is incorporated herein in their entirety by reference.